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PROCEEDINGS.

The Colored Convocation of the Diocese of North Carolina opened its ninth annual session Wednesday, September 7th, 9:45 A. M., in St. Michael and All Angel's Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Morning prayer was conducted by Rev. J. E. King and Robert N. Perry.

This service was followed by the Communion Service and the consecration of Priests. The processional hymn, No. 490, was sung. The convocation sermon was preached by Archdeacon H. B. Delany. His text was the 4th chapter and 5th verse of the Second Epistle to St. Timothy: "But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."

The sermon was deeply spiritual and gave new life and inspiration to his hearers.

The following clergy were in the procession: The Rev. Messrs. Robt. J. Johnson and James K. Satterwhite, candidates for ordination to the priesthood; Jacob Jones, of the Diocese of South Carolina; Chas. H. Male, Robt. N. Perry, James E. King, Primus P. Alston, John W. Perry, Jno. W. Smith, of the Convocation of Charlotte; Archdeacon H. B. Delany and Bishop Joseph Blount Cheshire.

After singing hymn 586, the candidates for ordination, the Rev. Messrs. Robt. J. Johnson and Jas. K. Satterwhite, were presented by the Rev. Jno. W. Smith.

Hymn 89 was then sung, followed by the Litany, said by Bishop Cheshire.

The Communion Service followed, being conducted by the Bishop, assisted by Archdeacon Delany, who read the Epistle, and the Rev. John W. Perry, who read the Gospel. The candidates were then ordained.

The Holy Communion was then administered by Bishop Cheshire, Archdeacon Delany assisting. The service ended with the singing of hymn 487 as recessional.

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The roll was called and the following clergy and laity responded:

Charlotte, St. Michael and All Angels'—Rev. P. P. Alston, A. Myron Cochran, O. J. Jackson.

Durham—Rev. Robert J. Johnson.

Greensboro—Rev. J. K. Satterwhite.

Henderson—Lorenzo King.

Littleton, St. Anna's—Virgil Bond.

Louisburg, St. Matthias'—George Pollard.

Oxford—Rev. C. H. Male.

Pittsboro—Rev. J. E. King, Mr. Clegg.

Raleigh, St. Ambrose—Rev. J. E. King, Walter McDowell.

Raleigh, St. Augustine's—Charles H. Boyer.

Satterwhite—Rev. C. H. Male, Simeon Peace, Harry Satterwhite.

Spies—.....

Statesville—Rev. P. P. Alston.

Tarboro, St. Luke's—Rev. J. W. Perry.

Warrenton, All Saints'—Otis Green.

The afternoon session was called to order at 3.30 o'clock. Hymn 143 was sung. A Committee on Credentials was appointed: Messrs. Frank M. Kennedy, A. Myron Cochran and Walter S. Mitchell.

(Insert roll call here.)

The Committee on Credentials recommended that Chas. H. Boyer be seated as delegate from St. Augustine's Mission, Raleigh, N. C.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The Chairman then welcomed the Rev. Jacob Jones, of South Carolina, to a seat in the Convocation, and introduced him. Mr. Jones made a brief address, expressing his pleasure of meeting with us and his interest in the work of this Diocese.

The Bishop read his annual address. He said, in part:

BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

The report of the Archdeacon will give you a more detailed account of the work, and I invite your careful and frank consideration of its condition and prospects. We should look at things as they are, and try and see how we may so learn any lessons which they may suggest, as to know how we may best secure that healthy and orderly development which is the only sure sign of real vitality.

One point to which I direct your attention and commend to your consideration is the absolutely stationary condition of our work in the Diocese, considered as a whole, or its all but stationary condition. Seventeen years ago this summer I was chosen Bishop, and I was consecrated the following October. What gains have we made in the extent of the work in these years? We have added Oxford, Satterwhite, Winston; but that gain is practically offset by our losses at St. Philips, Noise, Pittsboro, Moncure, St. Luke's, Warren County. There has been good work done all over the field, and there is notable growth and development in some of our stronger missions, as in this where we are now met: St. Michael and All Angels', Charlotte; St. Ambrose, Raleigh; and in connection with the Mission of St. Augustine's Chapel. Also there is good promise in Winston, and perhaps at Greensboro, at Durham and at Rocky Mount. But we are bound to confess that in seventeen years—half a generation—there is practically small growth. We receive for this work six thousand and five hundred dollars annually from the Board of Missions. We call for more, but do we encourage the Board to give us more by such a showing? The appropriations by the Board have increased quite as much as our work has increased—perhaps in larger ratio. I do not mean our work as measured by the number of children we gather into our schools; I mean the work as measured by the consecrated lives we have enlisted in our service.

We have been regularly passing resolutions calling for more money. In my judgment we are not likely to receive any large or any very considerable increase of our appropriation. We must consider then what we can do to increase the effectiveness of that which we have.

And the first thought which meets us is that we have not only not developed any self-supporting congregations, but we do not seem to be developing at all in that direction. When a congregation of fifty or a hundred, or a hundred and fifty communicants, in a prosperous and growing city or town receives four or five hundred dollars each year towards the support of its minister, and another four, five, six, or ten hundred dollars a year in aid of its parish schools, and this is continued for five, ten, fifteen or twenty years, what have we a right to expect? We have a right to expect that congregations so aided shall make some real advance towards self-support. I ask you to consider this matter. Is it not the duty of our large congregations to take upon themselves in greater measure the support of their ministers?

I also ask you to consider whether some of us have not been looking at the duty and advantage of parish and mission schools from an erroneous point of view? First of all the church must so grow as to be adding to its own power of life. An organization which does not develop power of self-sustenance and self-perpetuation can have no real strength or continuance. And so the first duty of a missionary is not to teach the young; it is to save men; to attract men and women to the church. A mission school should be only means of getting men and women. If a priest can contrive to save part of his time for teaching the children, it is well. He should certainly not neglect this part of his duty; but he must not for even this good work neglect the weekly and daily effort to come into commanding contact with the mature men and women of the community; and his chief work must be upon them, if he is ever to build up a strong and self-supporting congregation. Many priests and missionaries have

built up strong churches without any school whatever of their own. They have been skillful to use the ordinary schools for their purposes. I doubt if any priest or missionary ever built up a strong congregation who neglected constant, systematic work upon men and women, that he might devote himself to teaching children. The Apostles did not set us such examples.

We should value our schools and develop them as we have the means; but our clergy must remember that their chief work is to preach the Gospel and to bring the power of the Gospel to bear upon the controlling men and women of the community and to build up a church which may receive and hold the children whom we put through our schools.

We have a certain sum of money for our work. There is no prospect of any considerable increase in that amount. Now if we would extend our work we must develop strenth and self-support in our older parishes, so that every year they shall assume in larger measure the support of their own ministers out of the funds which are thereby given up by the older mission may be used in extending our work into new fields. I do not think we should be satisfied to go ten, fifteen or twenty years and show no appreciable increase in self-support. This is the greatest question now before us in our work. No increase of funds will be of real benefit, if it increase our helpless dependence on others. If what we receive shows an effect in developing self-supporting and self-perpetuating congregations, then we may hope to receive more.

You all understand that one of the great questions before the church to-day is how we may best deal with church work among the colored people of the South, and whether any new methods or organization and administration are called for. We have perhaps had more than enough discussion upon that subject. I do not think anything can be gained by spending our time upon it at this meeting. My own sentiments are well known to you all. For myself I would prefer a continuance of our present organization, with our three Convoca-

tions of the Diocese carrying on our missionary work, and an annual Diocesan Convention, gathering all together for general diocesan legislation, and representing the oneness of all men of all races and of all ages in Christ our Lord. That seems to me to be the true ideal and pattern of a church. But this is not an ideal world, and we sometimes have to adopt temporary working plans to fit our imperfect condition. It is a fact that the church, as represented in our work among the colored people of the South is not what it ought to be. Some very true and wise men think that our present methods do not impose sufficient responsibility upon our colored priests and people, or allow sufficient freedom of operation to develop in them the power by which they might more largely influence their brethren, and thus extend to them the blessings which the church has for them. I believe a majority of our colored clergy have come to be of this opinion. That annual Conference of theirs, which was first called together and organized for the declared purpose of opposing a plan of having a special Missionary Jurisdiction provided for our colored work, has now come forward as the special champion of the very scheme which it was organized to oppose. The same change has taken place in the minds of many others. While I did always most earnestly oppose any separation based merely upon racial difference and race prejudice, yet even in my strongest opposition I did also hold that if a separate organization were proposed as a means whereby the church might better accomplish her work for that temporarily separated section of protection, then that would be a proposition to demand our most careful consideration, and might command our approval and support. Such seems to be the proposition now before the church and likely to be considered in our General Convention at Cincinatti next month.

The Chairman announced the following committees:

Finance—Rev. R. J. Johnson, Geo. Pollard, W. S. Mitchell.

State of the Church—Rev. R. N. Perry, Rev. C. H. Male, A. Myron Cochran.

Education—F. M. Kennedy, Rev. R. J. Johnson, Lorenzo King.

Appropriation—Rev. Messrs. John Perry, P. P. Alston, J. K. Satterwhite, Chas. H. Boyer, Virgil Bond, F. M. Kennedy.

Resolutions—Rev. J. E. King, Virgil Bond, C. H. Boyer.

On motion, the Bishop's address was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Reports were called for.

Mr. Cochran, in reporting for St. Michael and All Angels', said that the church work had gone along very well. He said that the lay services also had been well attended. The Sunday-school. the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the choir, and the day school have all been successful. The day school has been well attended, most of the pupils remaining in until the end of the term, and $300 was collected in school fees.

Mr. Kennedy reported for St. Stephen, Winston. He gave an interesting historical account of the beginning and growth of the mission. It was started by the Rev. H. T. Cocke, of St. Paul's Church. He spoke very earnestly on the question of giving for the support of the church, and urged every member to give more and to arouse their several congregations to give more for the building up of the church.

Mr. Johnson, reporting for St. Titus', Durham, said that considering the opportunities offered, the work is doing well. they have 19 members. They have been worshiping in a hall for more than a year. A lot has been bought and they want to build a chapel as soon as possible.

For Henderson he said there was slow growth, but that the rector of the parish had promised cooperation.

Rev. J. K. Satterwhite, reporting for Greensboro Church of the Redeemer, said that they began worship in a hall, but have now bought a lot and have remodeled the house on it, at

a cost of $850, and are now holding services in it. The work is very encouraging, and they hope before long to build a church there.

Mr. Virgil N. Bond said that in Littleton an effort had been made to do more for self-support, but severe accidents to the several families of the mission, St. Anona's, had thwarted their plans. The teacher's salary was cut off, which crippled them considerably.

As to St. Luke's, Warren County, he said that they also had suffered because the school fund had been cut. He said that he thought that two months schooling after the crops are laid by, would do for them. The Bishop thereupon promised him the help necessary for the two month's school.

On motion, the Committee on the State of the Church were requested to take into consideration that part of Mr. Bond's report relating to the Oxford Orphanage.

Mr. Geo. Pollard reported that the mission at Louisburg is doing excellent work. They paid in in cash $150, and helped in a great many other ways. The prospects for a large school are very good. He made special mention of Mrs. Fuller, wife of Mr. Joel F. Fuller, late missionary at Spies, and of the great help she is to him in his work. He was followed by the Archdeacon, who spoke at length concerning improvements in the school house, the purchase of a rectory as a memorial to former Archdeacon Pollard.

Evening services were conducted by Rev. J. K. Satterwhite, assisted by Messrs. Robt. J. Johnson and Robt. N. Perry.

An invitation was extended to the Convocation by the managers of the Good Samaritan Hospital to a tea and inspection of the building Friday afternoon from 5 to 6:30 P. M.

Hymn No. 611.

An interesting and instructive sermon was preached by the Rev. Chas. H. Male. His text was Luke, 2nd chapter, 46th verse: "And it came to pass that after three days they found him in the temple sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions."

Hymn 534 was sung, then followed as an offertory, a selection from the crucifixion, by Stainer, sung by Messrs. Oscar Jackson and A. Myron Cochran.

Closing prayers were said by the Archdeacon. The service ended with hymn 584, as recessional.

Thursday Morning—6:00 a. m.

Early communion was celebrated by Rev. J. K. Satterwhite, assisted by Rev. R. N. Perry. There was a good congregation present.

Morning session opened at the usual hour.

On motion the convocation accepted the invitation of the managers of the Good Samaritan Hospital, and that the convocation adjourn at 4:30 P. M. Friday in order that they might attend.

Reports of the various missions were continued:

For St. Michael's, Mr. Alston said the Sunday-school averaged from 40 to 60 scholars. The offerings frequently double the attendance of the scholars. He believes that substantial work has been done in the parochial school. There were more than 200 scholars. He paid a high tribute to the great worth and helpfulness of Mr. Cochran, who had been so long a mainstay to him and his work of both church and school. He made an urgent appeal that the Diocese and the church at large should give more attention to this work.

He reported Statesville also. He said that they have remodeled the interior of the building so that it looks more churchly, and the people are beginning to turn to the church. He has baptized several children the past year, and others will be baptized soon. There will be a class for confirmation when the Bishop makes his next visit.

Mr. McDowell, of St. Ambrose, Raleigh, said that the vestry had taken steps to build a new church and asked the prayers of the Convocation.

Rev. J. W. Perry reported for Tarboro. Work is doing well; Sunday-school attendance is good, numbering an average of 35 or 40 pupils, by actual count. For the past two months there have never been less than 60 scholars; have 140 pupils in day school, and the results of the school work are very encouraging.

C. H. Boyer reported for St. Augustine's. He said that there is a steady growth in the work in every phase of school and church life. He gave a full report of the work of St. Augustine's Hospital.

On motion, a special committee was appointed by the Bishop to inquire into and arrange with the authorities of St. Augustine's school relative to scholarships: Archdeacon Delany and Mr. Alston, Mr. Bond and Mr. Cochran.

A letter to the Convocation was read by Mr. Kennedy from the Afro-American Union of Winston, commending the Rev. J. K. Satterwhite, who is a member of said Ministers' Union, and wishing him a life of usefulness in the sacred ministry.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Sept. 6, 1910.

To the Convocation assembled in St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Dear Brethren:—The Afro-American Union wishes to express its very great pleasure that the Rev. Jas. K. Satterwhite is to be advanced to the Priesthood. He is a member of the Union in our city, and we want to record our appreciation of his splendid Christian manhood, his faithfulness, and his intense interest in those things that pertain to the moral and spiritual uplift of our fellowmen; therefore, be it resolved:

First. That we give the Rev. Jas. K. Satterwhite our entire and cordial approbation in his entering upon the Priesthood, and our hearty approval upon his preaching the Word, administering the ordinances and performing the duties to which as Priest he is called and entitled.

Secondly. That we call down God's blessings upon his head, with the hope that his labors may be crowned with success, and he become an instrument of good to the church and the world.

Thirdly. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Convocation assembled in St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Charlotte, N. C., and a copy be spread upon the minutes of the Afro-American Union.

By order of the Afro-American Union:

CHAS. A. WARD, *Secretary.*

The Chairman instructed the Secretary to send a letter of appreciation to the Afro-American Union in answer to the resolutions.

The Committee on Appropriations made their report. No action was taken on the report.

The Bishop appointed Rev. J. E. King and C. H. Boyer to confer to see to what extent the older pupils of St. Ambrose would attend St. Augustine's if cut off from St. Ambrose, and report to the Bishop in about two weeks.

Minutes of Thursday were read and adopted, with necessary corrections.

State of Church report. Robt. N. Perry. Report not ready. Referred to Committee.

Report of Treasurer, Mr. King. Amount collected, $303.87; on hand, $56.42. Treasurer's report adopted.

Archdeacon's financial report. Receipts represent gifts from different sources, $271.75; paid out, $271.75.

The Archdeacon made the following general report:

He said in part, that he saw evidences of growth and increasing interest in the church among the people throughout the Diocese. He called attention to the pressing need of more funds to carry on the work properly and advantageously, special mention being made of the restrictive action taken by the Board of Missions limiting their support to an appropriation of $2 for every $1 collected by the workers in the missionary field.

He urged upon the Convocation that they should give an annual contribution to the Church Institute for Negroes, however small the amount might be.

He called attention to the inadequate salaries of the ministers, and asked that each congregation should do its best toward augmenting their minister's salary.

The report of Archdeacon Delany was very encouraging and showed in every detail his stewardship for the past year. After full discussion, the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church was called for and read. On motion the report was received. It was left over for discussion at the following session.

The following resolution was introduced by the Rev. Jas. K. Satterwhite:

Resolved, That the Convocation among the colored people in the Diocese of North Carolina will request each church and congregation to give one collection a year to aid the work of the American Church Institute for Negroes.

Jas. K. Satterwhite.

On motion, the resolution was adopted.

Evening Prayer.

Processional 636. The psalter was read by Rev. J. E. King. The Bishop read the lessons, Rev. J. W. Perry the prayers.

Hymn 217 was sung.

The confirmation service followed, the Bishop administering the rite to two candidates.

Rev. Robt. N. Perry preached the sermon. His text was Deut., 6th chapter, 4th verse: "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord." As did the Israelites of old, men are to-day giving themselves to the idols of pleasure. The world is sacrificing opportunities of spiritual development in its mad pursuit of pleasure and of fashion, letting earthly things come between them and their God.

For an offertory Mr. O. Jackson sang a solo, "I will extol thee, O Lord."

The closing prayers were said by the Archdeacon. The service closed with hymn 394.

Friday Morning Session.

The session opened with Archdeacon Delany presiding. The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved, with necessary corrections.

On motion, a rising vote of welcome was tendered to the Rev. A. B. Hunter, who came to the Convocation, having just returned home from his trip abroad. He responded to the greeting with a brief and gracious speech.

A paper written by Mr. Jno. Clark on "Aggressive Work in the Church" was read by Rev. R. N. Perry, Mr. Clark being absent. It was a splendid paper, interesting in historical data, deeply spiritual, and was full of helpful suggestions for the development of the church. The paper aroused considerable discussion.

Mr. Boyer then spoke on the subject: "How may we best extend the Church's work among our people?" He said that this could be done by giving more attention to the development of the Sunday-school, the introduction of church instruction in the parochial school, better preparation of candidates for the ministry and better compensation for their work, by developing the principle of self-help more, and by the adoption of the plan for a missionary district, with a negro bishop at its head.

The address caused much interesting discussion, particularly that part treating of the missionary jurisdiction for the colored people.

Mr. Jas. K. Satterwhite introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the subject of Negro Bishops be placed in the hands of a committee appointed by the chair, which

committee will recommend the expression of this Convocation to the church at large.

On motion, the resolution was adopted. The Archdeacon appointed the following committee on Negro Bishops: Chas. H. Boyer, chairman; Revs. J. W. Perry, P. P. Alston, J. E. King and Jas. K. Satterwhite.

On motion, the Treasurer was instructed to pay off the indebtedness of the Convocation to the ex-treasurer from time to time as he was able.

Adjournment. No afternoon session.

Evening Prayer.

Services began with the singing of hymn 616. The psalter was read by the Rev. Jacob Jones, of the Diocese of South Carolina, the lesson by the Rev. A. B. Hunter, and the prayers by the Rev. Chas. H. Male. Hymn 610 was sung, followed by the sermon by Rev. Robt. J. Johnson. His text was Colossians, 3rd chapter, 1st verse: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God." He said Christianity means a death to sins and the beginning of a new life. Christ pours his life into ours, his fullness into our emptiness, and replaces our unrighteousness with his righteousness.

For an offertory Mr. E. W. Moore sang "Then Thou Spakest in Vision," by E. L. Ashford.

The closing prayers were said by Archdeacon Delany.

Hymn 582 was sung as recessional.

Saturday Morning, September 10th.

The session opened with Archdeacon Delany in the chair. The minutes of the previous day were read and approved. Reports of the various committees followed.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church was called for:

Report of the Committee on the State of the Church.

We, your Committee on the State of the Church, beg to state that having listened carefully to the reports of the various missionaries and delegates, we find that some marked progress has been made in all the fields of endeavor.

St. Augustine's School and Chapel Hill have added many to their number and helped the race to a higher sphere of living. St. Ambrose, St. Luke, Tarboro, St. Anna's, St. Michael and All Saints' have done substantial work during the last scholastic year. St. Mark's School and Mission are doing good work, reaching the young people through the day school and adding to the Sunday-school. Many have been confirmed during the year.

Greensboro, Winston, Rocky Mount, Oxford, Satterwhite and other missions have made progress. Yet there remains abundant opportunity for more zealous efforts. We do most earnestly commend the spirit evidenced by the delegate from Winston for emulation in order that there may be some such results developed all over the missionary field.

We would urge that there be kept constantly before the mind, as the goal of our ambition, the idea alluded to by our good Bishop, of working toward the development of the independent church, in order that by so doing we may strengthen ourselves and win for ourselves the sympathetic aid of our friends in view of the fact that they receive most help who help themselves the most.

We further urge the continuance of the Parochial School as auxiliary to the church; for while we may not win for the church all of our pupils, we by no means fail in our efforts, because we are all the time helping to mould strong Christian character.

On account of the remoteness of the mission, the inconvenience in reaching it, the death of two able missionaries without substantial results, and because there is so little appreciation for the church at Noise, in that the property is

going to ruin for lack of interest on the part of the people of that place, we therefore recommend that the property be sold and the proceeds be left to the Bishop's discretion.

We further recommend that the appropriation be given to the widow of Mr. J. T. Fuller.

CHAS. H. MALE.
ROBT. N. PERRY, *Chairman.*
A. MYRON COCHRAN.

After discussion and corrections, the report was adopted.

The Committee on Education made its report:

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education submit the following report:

In making a study of the different reports of work which have come before the Convocation with regard to education, we note that great progress has been made by the parochial schools maintained in the Diocese since last year's report. The efficiency of the work done is indicated by the good reports of the parochial graduates who have come from our higher institutions.

Realizing that a great number of our parochial graduates are compelled to go to denominational schools for various reasons, we recommend that something be done in order to enable these students to enter Saint Augustine's School to finish the training so well begun by the parochial schools.

REV. R. J. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*
LORENZO KING.

On motion, it was adopted.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following:

In comparing this year's report with that of last year, we find that the Convocation has not done so well. Nearly all our missions fell from one to five dollars behind last year's

report. One small mission especially deserves our notice for its marked improvement over last year. This mission is St. James, Pittsboro, making a gain of seventeen dollars over last year. It doesn't seem that with our present system the Convocation is not getting the proper support from the different works. We therefore recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That each minister or rector make it his special business to see each member personally and collect the Convocation assessment.

Rev. Robt. J. Johnson.
Walter S. Mitchell.
Ger. C. Pollard.

On motion, the report was adopted.

Committee on Resolutions on the death of Mr. J. T. Fuller reported:

Mr. Joel T. Fuller.

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to take to Himself Mr. Joel T. Fuller, who labored faithfully for several years in Noise;

Resolved, That this Convocation place itself on record in loving appreciation of the efforts there put forth;

Resolved, That we do all possible for the bereaved widow to make her realize our deep sympathy, and that for her, even yet, the lines have fallen in pleasant places.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved widow and a copy spread upon the minutes of the Convocation.

Rev. C. H. Male,
A. Myron Cochran,
Lorenzo King,
Committee.

On motion, it was adopted.

Mr. J. K. Satterwhite offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That each church and congregation be urged to meet the Convocation fee for the support of Convocation fund, according to the number of the members of said church and congregation, and said apportionment be paid in quarterly instalments as heretofore, and that the Treasurer send to each mission a quarterly reminder of the same.

Jas. K. Satterwhite.

The resolution was adopted.

The special committee on Negro Bishops made their report:

Report of Special Committee on Negro Bishops.

Whereas, the subject of Negro Bishops for church work among colored people is now being widely discussed through the several church papers, and

Whereas, Archdeacon Russell has gone on record as opposed to the plan of Missionary Bishops for the colored work, and seems to have been taken seriously, by the churchman (of New York) as the spokesman of the great majority of the colored people of the church, and

Whereas, the time of meeting of the General Convention is near at hand, when this great question will again come up for consideration; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the colored Convocation of the Diocese of North Carolina, duly assembled in annual session, in the church of St. Michael and All Angels, Charlotte, N. C., do declare that we are unequiovocally in favor of a Missionary Jurisdiction or Districts for the Negro race, with a Negro Bishop; and that we do not, in any sense, favor a Suffragan Bishop for the work among the Negroes.

Resolved, That we will patiently bide the time, but we do earnestly appeal to the General Convention, particularly to our Right Reverned Fathers in God, that they will give this

subject the prayerful and godly consideration which it deserves; as we are all well assured that this plan will meet the existing conditions of our people.

Rev. P. P. Alston,
Rev. J. W. Perry,
Rev. J. E. King,
A. Myron Cochran,
Chas. H. Boyer,
Chairman.

The report was adopted.

On motion the Treasurer was requested to pay the Archdeacon the balance due him for money advanced by him to pay for the printing of the minutes.

On motion the Archdeacon was authorized to arrange a Retreat at St. Augustine's school, and to notify the brethren thereof.

This motion was reconsidered and referred to the Archdeacon until next year.

The Committee on Scholarships at St. Augustine's School reported as follows:

To the Rev. A. B. Hunter, Principal of St. Augustine's School:

Whereas, the subject of being able to hold our boys and girls in and for the church after they have completed their courses in our Parish Schools has many times come to our attention; and

Whereas, our church is losing a large per cent of its young material every year on account of not being able to offer, as other churches, inducements to those who wish to pursue their studies further, but who, on account of lack of means are unable to do so; and

Whereas, our Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Congregationalist, and Lutheran brethren all have in their higher schools and colleges some kind of Student Aid Fund; and, as a result, are taking from us scores and scores of our students every year; be it

Resolved, That this Convocation hereby appeal most heartily to the head authorities of St. Augustine's School to make some arrangement or create some fund by which we may meet this urgent need of assisting such worthy students as the various missionaries may recommend to gratify their ambition for additional study.

Rev. P. P. Alston,
Virgil N. Bond,
A. Myron Cochran.

On motion, the Convocation voted to accept the invitation to go to Pittsboro next year.

The following resolution presented by Mr. W. S. Mitchell:

Resolved, That a form of report be gotten out by the Bishop and Archdeacon for the parochial schools, showing the number and name of scholars in each school and the number of months of attendance, amounts charged each month, and the amount collected from each scholar, with such other information necessary; and that each school be compelled to use the same, such reports to be made each year to this Convocation, and that the appropriation from the Bishop be given each school according to the amount of money collected from the scholars of each school. W. S. Mitchell.

It was adopted.

The Committee on Appropriations reported as follows:

Report of Committee on Appropriations.

To the Rt. Rev. Joseph B. Cheshire, Bishop of North Carolina:

We, your Committee on Appropriations, having thoroughly canvassed the field, find:

First. That the support of the clergy is very meager, considering the high cost of living and the demands made upon them. We therefore recommend this to your careful consideration.

Second. That the money for the support of our schools has been well spent; yet we respectfully call attention to the condition first in Raleigh, because of the fine school facilities there, perhaps a smaller sum might do the work necessary; and to the conditions in Tarboro, because of the poor school facilities, a larger sum could be used to advantage at that point.

Third. We call special attention to the need of work in the new fields in Greensboro, Winston and Durham, hoping that means may be found to aid the work in those places.

We heartily approve the consideration given St. Luke's, Warren County, by our Bishop in yesterday's meeting.

Finally, the work and its growth demand more money.

Rev. J. W. Perry, *Chairman.*
Rev. P. P. Alston,
Rev. Jas. K. Satterwhite,
Chas. H. Boyer,
Virgil Bond,
F. M. Kennedy.

The report was adopted.

The Secretary was instructed to read the following order:

The expenses of lay delegates to the Convocation will no longer be defrayed by the Convocation, but said expenses shall be met by the congregations sending such delegates. The Secretary is instructed to make note of this change in the minutes, by order of the Bishop and Archdeacon.

Sunday Morning, September 11th.

Morning prayer began with the singing of hymn 450 as processional.

The annual sermon was preached by the Rev. J. E. King, of St. Ambrose Church, Raleigh. The text was: "Go, therefore, speak to them, saying, all power is given to me in heaven and earth . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo I am with

you always, even to the end. He emphasized the purpose of Christ not to condemn men, but to make them better and to save them.

Christ only lives with those who wish him. Look not at the faults of our neighbors, but see how you can help them.

The choir sang the anthem: "Christ is risen from the dead," as an offertory.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by Archdeacon H. B. Delany.

Service closed with hymn 516.

Evening Prayer.

Services began with hymn 491 as processional. Rev. John W. Perry read the psalter, Rev. P. P. Alston the lessons and Rev. J. E. King the prayers.

The Archdeacon made a brief address, outlining the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, of the business accomplished by the Convocation during the week, and of the general growth of the church's work throughout the Diocese. Five minute addresses were made by some of the clergy. Rev. Robt. J. Johnson was the first speaker. He said that the Christians in the pew should seek out those whom the minister cannot so readily reach and bring them where they may hear the word of God and his teachings. Rev. J. K. Satterwhite said that the purpose of Christ's coming was to save men, and that there rests a responsibility upon all to help in the evangelization of the world. Rev. Robt. N. Perry said that the church did not increase faster because of a lack of the spirit of the Good Samaritan; that the missionary spirit extends far beyond the narrow bonds of self. Rev. C. H. Male gave a very interesting sketch of church history, telling of the development of the vested choir, and of the great assistance of music in church worship. Rev. J. E. King said that the question the Christian ought to ask is: "What can I do in my own community to help my fellows?" Let each man make himself a messenger. Rev. P. P. Alston likened those com-

ing into the church to men being recruited into the army. They must realize that enlistment in the service of God means good, hard, earnest work. As it is, most of them sit idle and let a few faithful ones carry all the burdens. There will not be healthy growth until actual aggressive work is being done for the kingdom of Christ. Rev. J. W. Perry followed, saying that to render effective service for God one must pray and work for the coming of God's kingdom on earth. If we lift up Christ, He will draw all men.

Closing remarks were made by the Archdeacon. He spoke of the attempts of men to disparage the teachings of the Bible, and warned the people to avoid those pitfalls and to join the clergy in making unrelenting warfare on the false teachings.

Resolution of thanks and appreciation were read as follows:

Resolved, That we, the members of the Convocation of the Diocese of North Carolina, do hereby extend to the rector, congregation and Sunday-school of St. Michael's church our most hearty thanks and appreciation for their unstinted hospitality during our stay here; also to the kind friends who have so liberally contributed to our pleasure during our stay in their midst.

The resolution was adopted.

With the closing prayers and hymn the Convocation adjourned *sine die.*

CHAS. H. BOYER, *Secretary.*

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PRAYER FOR MORE WORKERS.

Almighty God, Lord of the harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to send forth more laborers into Thy harvest, and especially to put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to Thy work in the mission field, so that the bounds of Thy blessed kingdom may be enlarged, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

INTERCESSORY DAYS.

The Eve of the Feasts of St. Andrew, The Epihany, The Annunciation, The Transfiguration.

PLEDGES.

Bishop Ferguson, West Africa; Clergy Retiring Fund; St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh; at the Bishop's Disposal; at the Archdeacon's Disposal; Rev. C. H. Male, Oxford, N. C.; Good Samaritan Hospital, Charlotte, N. C.; Apportionment Fund; Central Fund; United Offering.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. H. B. Delany, Raleigh.
Vice-President—Mrs. J. W. Perry, Tarboro.
Secretary—Miss M. E. Phillips, Raleigh.
Assistant Secretary—Mrs. Ada Perry, Wilson.
Treasurer—Mrs. J. E. King, Raleigh.

Junior Department.

Secretaries—Miss C. S. Young, Charlotte; Mrs. A. T. Johnson, Durham, N. C.

Babies' Branch.

Secretaries—Mrs. C. H. Boyer, Raleigh; Miss Mamie Perry, Tarboro.

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Colored Convocation Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

Article I.

The name of this Society shall be the Convocation Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

Article II.

The object of this Auxiliary is threefold, viz.: Prayer for missions, study of missions, and work for missions.

Article III.

The officers of this Auxiliary shall be as follows: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer.

Article IV.

All of the women of the church are entitled by baptism to membership of this Auxiliary, and this active membership shall be recognized by annual contributions to the Central Fund.

Article V.

The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer constitute the Executive Board, and under the Bishop, direct the work of this branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Article VI.

There shall be an annual meeting of this branch; time and place to be decided by the Archdeacon.

BY-LAWS.

1. It shall be the duty of the President to call all meetings, preside over them, and to have a general oversight of the whole work. It shall also be her duty, or of some member of the Executive Board, to visit as many branches of the Auxiliary as possible during the year, expenses to be paid from the Central Fund.

2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to preside in the absence of the President.

3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the regular correspondence, to prepare for the Bishop and the Convocation an annual report of the work and of the annual meetings.

4. It shall be the duty of the Assistant Secretary to act in the absence of the Secretary and to do any special correspondence when appointed by the President.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys and disburse the same.

6. All pledges shall be sent to the Treasurer not later than August 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. S. V. Pollard,
Mrs. Tinnen,
Mrs. Celia Norwood,
Mrs. P. A. King,
Miss C. C. Perry,
Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

Wilson, N. C., August, 28, 1910.
St. Mark's P. E. Church.

Our day's work began with a celebration of the Holy Communion. Rev. C. H. Male officiating.

At 9:30, morning prayer was said, after which the Woman's Auxiliary opened its session in the schoolhouse adjoining the church. The President, Mrs. H. B. Delany, presided.

Mrs. Ida Clark, of St. Mark's Branch, in a paper which showed deep study and love, welcomed us to all that was theirs to give.

The President responded to the address of welcome in well-chosen words.

The proceedings of the previous year's meeting were read and received.

The roll was called, and delegates from the following branches responded:

Charlotte—St. Michael's: Mrs. Reid.

Raleigh—St. Ambrose: Mrs. Bettie Harris; St. Augustine's: Mrs. N. J. Delany.

Louisburg—St. Mathias: Mrs. Samuel Harris.

Warrenton—All Saints: Miss Lucy Ransom.

Tarboro—St. Luke's: Mrs. Sarah Wimberly.

Wilson—St. Mark's: Mrs. Ida R. Clark.

Pittsboro—St. James': Mrs. Feriba Tinnen.

Junior Department.

Raleigh—St. Ambrose: Miss D. B. Birdsall.

Charlotte—St. Michael's: Miss C. S. Young.

Louisburg—St. Mathias': Mrs. King.

Babies' Branch.

Miss Mamie G. Perry, Secretary of the Eastern Division.

Mrs. Susie V. Pollard represented the Babies' Branch of St. Ambrose.

Mrs. Feriba Tinnen represented the Babies' Branch of St. James, Pittsboro.

Reports from the several branches were read. Each branch showed great improvement in the manner in which the obligations of the past year had been met. From the reports, we saw that study of missions is gaining ground, and that the Intercessory Days are being observed by more branches than at any time previous; also more branches reported having sent boxes containing useful articles to missionaries. The President suggested that in sending boxes a list of the articles be taken, and that only such things be sent as will be of service.

The report blanks were explained by the Secretary, who urged the delegates to be careful in filling the blanks and to send them in not later than August 10th of each year.

The question of active membership was discussed. The Constitution and By-Laws were read, and Article IV, which refers to active membership, was explained by the President. Only those persons who work for, and give to, missions are active members.

The system by which we shall work was next taken up. The President compared the leader of a band to a mother in her home; she must manage the work, planning first and then be careful to see that the plans are carried out.

The order in which the pledges are to be paid was discussed. The Central Fund must be the first obligation met; the Apportionment and the remaining pledges to be paid as best suits the convenience of the branch.

The United Offering next claimed attention. The President spoke of the self-denial each of us can make that would greatly swell this offering. The time for opening the boxes is to be the first of December, March, June and August.

Reports of the Babies' Branch were read by Miss M. G. Perry, who also read Mrs. C. H. Boyer's report.

Misses Young and Burgess make reports of their first year's work as Junior Secretaries.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The afternoon session began at 4 P. M.

Prayers were said by Bishop Joseph B. Cheshire.

Hymn 254 was very heartily sung by the large congregation present in St. Mark's Schoolhouse.

The Bishop began his address by saying, he could not see how, in the olden days, the church got along without the Woman's Auxiliary; that now he and we felt a deeper interest in foreign missions since his two daughters are working in China. He spoke also of the rapid strides made in the missionary fields within the last seventy-five years; also of Bishop Tucker's work in Africa—comparing African life now with that of a few years ago. By way of suggestion, the Bishop spoke of the need of a teacher at Satterwhite, saying that if we could help in this direction it would be well worth while.

The reports of the President, Secretary and Treasurer were read.

A very interesting paper on Junior Work was read by Miss C. S. Young.

A paper on the Babies' Branch, written by Mrs. C. H. Boyer, was read by Miss M. G. Perry.

The reports of the work of the branches were concluded.

Archdeacon H. B. Delany addressed us in words that were encouraging and stimulating.

Short addresses were made by Rev. P. P. Alston, J. W. Perry and J. E. King.

MORNING SESSION.

Saturday morning, 10:30 o'clock.

Prayers were said by the President.

The President read us a letter received from the Tarboro branch during the year; she urged the representatives to see that when letters are sent their branches that they are answered.

The President suggested work for Juniors—paper doll cutting, sewing, etc.—that at the meeting of the Convocation they might have an exhibit, after which the articles could be packed and sent to some missionary.

Another suggestion was that a special day for intercession be set apart—March 25th—the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin. God has some work for each one of us to do, and we should prepare ourselves for it. The life of the Blessed Virgin should be carefully studied by each woman. Bible study in the branches, she said, should not be neglected.

Miss Phillips suggested that we add to our pledge list "At the Disposal of the Archdeacon," in that way to put into his hands a little money that he may use wherever he saw fit. Mrs. Pollard spoke of the fitness of such a pledge. Mrs. Bettie Harris made a motion that the pledge be added; it was carried.

A motion to the effect that we leave a token in St. Mark's Church was carried, and $5.53 was raised for that purpose.

Mrs. King, of St. Mathias Church, Louisburg, told of her work with the Juniors; how she cuts and prepares work for the boys and girls, and how readily they take hold and help in making plain garments.

Miss D. B. Birdsall spoke of the work of the Junior Branch of St. Ambrose. Meetings are held on the first Sunday in each month at 9:30 A. M.

Mid-day prayers for missions was said at 12 o'clock.

A resolution on the departure of Mrs. J. H. M. Pollard from the diocese was read by Miss A. T. Burgess.

Mrs. J. W. Perry, of Tarboro, was elected Vice-President, and Mrs. R. N. Perry, of Wilson, Assistant Secretary, of the Convocation Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The Archdeaconry Pledge was started by an offering of $3.50, after which the meeting adjourned, feeling that great advancement had been made.

M. E. Phillips, *Secretary.*

Resolution.

Whereas, we, the members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Archdeaconry for Work Among the Colored People of the Diocese of North Carolina, are to lose from our work a faithful and earnest worker, Mrs. John H. M. Pollard, we beg to make the following resolutions:

Resolved, first, That we, the members of this Auxiliary, deeply regret to lose her, not only because we shall lose her faithful services in our Auxiliary, but also the most efficient service she has rendered in the general work of the church.

Resolved, second, We shall miss her personal touch in our homes, socially. We give her up reluctantly, but do with earnest hearts pray for her success in her new field of work.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be given Mrs. Pollard, and a copy be printed in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. P. A. King,
Miss Anna T. Burgess,
Miss Connie S. Young,
Committee.

MINUTES OF 1910.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Colored Convocation, Diocese of North Carolina, met in the schoolhouse of St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Friday morning, September 9, 1910.

At 6 o'clock A. M., there was a celebration of the Holy Communion. Rev. Robert J. Johnson presided, assisted by Rev. J. E. King.

At 9:30, morning prayer was said.

At 11 o'clock, a business session of the Woman's Auxiliary was held, the President, Mrs. H. B. Delany, presiding.

Miss Connie S. Young, President of St. Michael's Branch, extended to us a hearty welcome, assuring us that they had done and would do all in their power to make our stay a

pleasant one, and expressing the hope that our deliberations might prove an incentive to their branch.

The President responded, expressing our deep gratitude for the generous hospitality that has been shown.

The minutes of 1909 were read, and after some corrections were adopted. The Secretary explained that the minutes were not printed with the Convocation minutes because of a fire which damaged much of the Auxiliary literature. At the time, the minutes were about ready for publication, but having been lost it remained for the Secretary, with the help of a few scattered notes, to reproduce the proceedings of the previous year, this she did not feel safe to have printed until corrections had been made.

A motion was carried that the minutes of 1909 and 1910 be printed together.

The roll was called, and delegates enrolled as follows:

Charlotte—St. Michael's: Mrs. Florence Pethel.

Durham—St. Titus: Mrs. Robert J. Johnson.

Greensboro—Church of the Redeemer: Mrs. M. L. Byers.

Pittsboro—St. James: Mrs. Feriba Tinnen.

Raleigh—St. Ambrose: Miss M. E. Phillips; St. Augustine's: Mrs. Laura Harris.

Tarboro—St. Luke's: Mrs. Sarah Wimberly.

Warrenton—All Saint's: Miss Annie Burgess.

Wilson—St. Mark's: Mrs. Henrietta Hill and Mrs. Ida R. Clark.

Junior Branch.

Charlotte—St. Micheal's: Miss Carrie Henderson.

Greensboro—Church of the Redeemer: Miss Cecil Gwyn.

Tarboro—St. Luke's: Miss Mamie G. Perry.

Warrenton—All Saint's: Miss Annie Burgess.

Wilson—St. Mark's: Miss Flora Clark.

Babies' Branch.

Charlotte—St. Micheal's: Mrs. Rosa Henderson.

Pittsboro—St. James: Mrs. Feriba Tinnen.

Tarboro—St. Luke's: Miss M. G. Perry.

Wilson—St. Mark's: Miss Boykins.

From the report of St. Michael's Branch, we found that the Intercessory Days had been observed, pledges had been met, and "Twice Around the World" used as a study. The severe winter and a great deal of sickness in the church families had been a hindrance to as healthy growth as had been desired.

Mrs. Byers said that at Greensboro they had not yet organized a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, but that she had come desirous of learning something of the work, that they may organize.

The work at St. Augustine's, reported by Mrs. Harris, is both interesting and instructive. We give it in full:

We have at St. Augustine's branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, the Sunday-school Auxiliary, and the Babies' Branch, each doing its work independently of the other. The members of the Woman's Auxiliary include all the women teachers on the grounds and all adult members of the parish. The students of the boarding department, both boys and girls, under the direction of Mr. Boyer, form the Junior Auxiliary. The Sunday-school Auxiliary is our parish Sunday-school, which is not especially associated with the school, under the charge of Mr. Osborne. It learns something of missions during the year, and is very faithful in filling the Lenten mite boxes. Last Easter the Sunday-school offering was, and is generally, larger than that of the Juniors. The tiny ones of the parish make up the Babies Branch, and the pennies which they put in the red boxes are added to those of the Babies' Branch in all parts of the country, so even our babies have their share in the missionary work of the church, and are early taught to pray for God's blessing on all missionaries.

On the second Sunday in each month the Juniors meet in Taylor Hall; papers are read giving accounts of the work in some special missionary field, the subject having been decided on at some previous meeting. The spirit of missions is gleaned, and there is a general discussion of the subject. The first meeting of the year is always an "experience" meeting. The students tell what work for others they have been able to do during the summer, or give an account of work they have seen. The last meeting of the year is devoted to accounts of what various ones hope to do during the summer, and to a discussion as to how they can, wherever they are, best give out to others that which they have been privileged to receive.

The Woman's Auxiliary meets twice a month during the school term, and during Lent every week. We have devoted the time to mission study. Last year we studied "The Kingdom Growing," and have made a special study of the work among the Indians. We had two papers at each meeting, with a supplementary reading on the subject. We also had gleanings from the spirit of missions at each meeting. These meetings have been full of interest. We have learned of parts of the country of which we knew but little; we have studied the geographical position and condition of the country, its interest and beauties, and have thus been able to intelligently travel with the missionaries from one station to another. The regular Intercessory Days appointed by the Woman's Auxiliary of this diocese we have kept—the Eve of St. Andrew's Day, the Eve of the Epihany, the Eve of the Annunciation, the Eve of the Transfiguration. For the service we have used the special Litany appointed for these days; have sung missionary hymns, and usually have a short address on missionary topics. An offering has been taken, which was devoted to work of the Woman's Auxiliary. This, with the monthly pledges, gives us the amount we have to give out. Each member of the our Woman's Auxiliary pledges according to her ability to give a certain sum monthly, these pledges being from 10 cents a month up. Each member

of the Auxiliary also pays 25 cents a year as a Central Fund. We have found that it is an advantage to give systematically, for not only do we have more to pledge away, but we are sure of a definite amount. At the beginning of each year we decide what objects we are going to pledge ourselves, planning first of all for our share of the appropriation. If, at the end of the year, the treasury is not empty we may give to some other object or let it run over to the next year's work. By this systematic plan, we are always saved at the end of the year from the mortification of unkept pledges or the necessity of hurriedly raising a sum of money to hand over to the Treasurer of the Convocation without the satisfaction of deciding how it shall be used. In addition, each member is supposed to have a "United Offering Box." This is the special offering of the women of the church and is presented at the service for the Woman's Auxiliary at the Tricennial Meeting during the General Convocation. This is supposed to be a gift of sacrifice—that is, after we have given all that it is our duty to give, we deny ourselves for the privilege of giving more. This United Offering sends women into all the mission fields.

During the past winter we have been trying to interest the people in the neighborhood of the school to attend evening services in the school chapel. We have not been as successful in this as we would like, but feel that we have made an effort to gather in God's people.

Miss Burgess (Mrs. R. J. Johnson), one of our Junior directors, had a very active branch of Juniors of the neighborhood children, and some of these Juniors have taken part in our vested choir on Sunday night.

Mrs. Delany has a meeting on Friday afternoon for any of the women who cannot attend he Wednesday night meetings. We feel that we have a live, working Auxiliary, and we find that the more we study about the mission work the more interested we become in all, both at home and abroad.

Mrs. Anna Johnson reported that at Durham they had

organized just two weeks previous to the meeting of the Convocation, but hoped to have an active branch there.

St. Ambrose's report showed that though the work had not lagged, with the opportunities of the parish much more might have been accomplished. The study of the mission field had not been kept up, due to the irregular attendance of the members. All the pledges had been paid. Three of the Intercessory days had been observed.

Mrs. Tinnen said that at Pittsboro they had been able to do but little, due to much sickness; however, they had accomplished some work and hoped to do much more during the coming year.

The work of St. Luke's Branch, Tarboro, deserves special mention. The report showed that system had been used throughout. Meetings had been held regularly, an amount had been pledged to each one of the pledges, and a donation sent to the Conference of Colored Workers.

Miss Annie Burgess reported the work of the Woman's Branch of All Saints' Church, Warrenton, though she was representing the Junior Branch of that mission.

Mrs. Ida Clark read the report of St. Mark's Church, Wilson.

We are glad to note that there was more Auxiliary work done, and that the work was better understood, than previously.

It being 12 o'clock, work was suspended for a few moments, and noonday prayers for missions were said.

Reports of the Junior and Babies' branches were next read. These reports were so interesting that it was moved, and carried, that they be printed.

The report of St. Mark's Juniors, Wilson, was read by their little representative, Flora Clark, and it was particularly interesting.

At this point, work was suspended for a few moments, and Mrs. M. Walton, Mrs. Morehead, Mrs. Perry were presented. Each made helpful and encouraging remarks.

The President read a letter from Mrs. S. V. Pollard, expressing her regret at not being able to attend, but assuring us that though absent in body she was present in spirit. She sent $1 to the Archdeaconry Fund.

The President also reported $5 sent by Mrs. A. B. Hunter for the United Offering.

The meeting adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The meeting was opened with hymn 143, creed and prayer.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The President's address was the first to claim attention of the members. She said, in part:

"We feel that our work is well organized all over the Convocation. We have tried to encourage each branch to strengthen itself by taking advantage of the threefold purpose of the Auxiliary work. First, surely comes the call to prayer. We have urged the directors of each branch to at least observe the Intercessory Days. Where these services have been observed, we feel that great benefit has been derived. Second comes the call to knowledge. We have arranged a course of study for the women throughout the Convocation, but we have found it difficult in some cases to get the leaders themselves sufficiently interested to work the study up, making it interesting, and thereby holding the women together and making them feel that it is their bounden duty to learn about missionary work and keep informed as to how Christ's kingdom is growing on earth. We urge here at this meeting that officers of each parochial branch try and urge the increase of the spirit of missions in her branch. Each family of the church should have this magazine in it. We furthermore urge a more thorough study of the Holy Bible. It is our duty to study these subjects I have named as much as it is our duty to go to church. Do these things, but do not leave undone the other things. Third comes the call for workers.

People who give their means are not always willing to give themselves and their time. One of the main objects of the Woman's Auxiliary is to teach its women and children the opportunities for personal service. We see the doors standing open everywhere for workers to enter in. Fourth comes the call for money to give those who are trying to carry Christ's message to the whole world. The number of workers increase each year, and with this increase of workers comes additional expense.

"I want to suggest here that we begin our year's work and close it at the regular time; also that each representative bring a written report to the Convocation, and after it is read leave it in the hands of the Secretary, to be printed or not, at her discretion. Another suggestion is that we appoint, or name, a United Offering Treasurer, to be appointed by the Bishop.

"I would urge the women in their several branches to meet regularly and promptly."

A very interesting paper on Junior work was read by Miss Gertrude Wilson; it showed that the Juniors of that branch, St. Michael's, have been, or are being well trained, in missionary work.

By request of the President, the Rev. Mr. Delany presented the Rev. A. B. Hunter. In speaking to us, he began by telling us what the work of the Woman's Auxiliary is for to help the Board of Missions, and what the Board of Missions is. He very carefully explained each pledge which we contribute to; he expressed himself as being especially interested in the United Offering, telling of the help received at St. Augustine's from the United Offering.

Rev. P. P. Alston spoke of the grandness and scope of the Woman's Auxiliary; how greatly crippled the church would be without such an organization. He made a strong appeal to the women to work zealously. To those who had not taken up the work of the Auxiliary, he said: "Better not live, if you live for no purpose."

The Convocation Branch Treasurer, Mrs. P. A. King, read her report. She asked that the branches please send in their pledges before coming to Convocation.

An offering was taken from the members of the Convocation and Auxiliary, which was presented to the Altar Guild of St. Michael's as coming from the Convocation of 1910, and expressing very feebly our appreciation of the hospitalities received. The offering amounted to $9.38.

The meeting adjourned to visit, in a body, the Good Samaritan Hospital.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The meeting was opened at 3 o'clock by the creed and prayer by the President, Mrs. N. J. Delany.

The delegates to the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, which meets in Cincinnati, were elected; they were Mrs. P. A. King and Mrs. A. B. Hunter.

After much discussion, it was decided that our reports be made with the diocesan year from April to April. In this way, reports could be made without crowding so much in just at the time for the Convocation.

Mrs. P. A. King was asked to consult with the Rev. Mr. Male and see if there was any possibility of starting branches of the Woman's Auxiliary at Oxford and Satterwhite.

Ways and means of interesting the women were discussed. Programs, sewing, refreshments, etc., were suggested.

The exhibit made by the Juniors was excellent. The articles were sold and the money given to the directors of the branches, from which the articles came. The President spoke in very high terms of this work.

Mrs. Wimberly, of St. Luke's Branch, Tarboro, read a paper on the subject, "Suggestions for Increasing Interest Among Our Women." The paper was indeed a strong one and full of practical suggestions.

Miss M. G. Perry read a letter from the Louisburg Branch.

The President urged that our interest not lag and that we

return to our branches with renewed zeal, determined to accomplish more than ever during the coming year. The harvest is truly great, and the laborers few.

MARY E. PHILLIPS, *Secretary.*

Beloved Bishop, Madam President, Officers, Members and Friends of the Convocation:

At our last Convocation meeting held in Wilson, the Diocesan Secretaries for Junior Auxiliary Work made their first reports, and it was with some degree of gratitude that we felt the start not a very bad one. We went out from that meeting with new inspiration, new ideas and new plans for this year's work, hoping that in another year's time we would be able to show such an increase as would double the work of last year. This, I fear, will not be proven by our reports, but we have at least tried hard to carry into our works some of that inspiration then received and to carry out, as far as possible, the plans then made.

During the year, directions for such work as we felt could be done, largely, were sent to the directors of Junior branches throughout the Diocese, urging them, as far as their conditions would allow, to do the work suggested. Report blanks, too, were sent, such as would give, when returned, the Secretaries intelligent information as to work done every quarter. The reports coming from the Branches under my supervision are as follows:

All Saints, Warrenton.—Director, Miss Annie Burgess; active members, 22; weekly meetings, quarterly, an average of 6 a quarter; Sunday-school meetings, with missionary programs, held once a month; articles made: 1 pin cushion, 2 pin cushion covers, 2 sewing bags, 1 fancy bag—total, 6; 2 pledges taken (Rev. Male's work, Mr. Fuller's work), pledge money sent to Treasurer, $2.73; United Offerings sent, $2.85. Total money sent, $5.58.

St. Mark's, Wilson.—Mr. John Clark, director; active members, 9; Sunday-school meetings, first Sunday in each month; pledges taken, 9; pledge money sent to Treasurer, $5.

Church of the Redeemer, Greensboro.—Miss C. B. Gwyn, director; active members, 16; weekly meetings, an average of ten a quarter; articles made: 3 aprons, 2 pillow tops, 2 sewing bags, 3 scrap books, 2 postal cards, 1 handkerchief—total, 12; United Offering, $1.50.

St. Michael's, Charlotte.—C. S. Young, director; active members, 25; weekly meeting an average of ten a quarter; Sunday-school programs held once a month; articles made: 3 pin cushions, 4 aprons, 4 handkerchiefs, 2 handkerchief bags, 1 raffia bag, 1 whiskbroom holder, 3 raffia baskets, 1 pin tray, 4 sachet bags, 1 braid hair receiver—total, 24; pledges taken, 8; pledge money sent to Treasurer, $8. Instead of usual Christmas or Easter box money, $1 was sent to the Winston mission; United Offering money sent to Treasurer, $1.28; program had at Easter; total money, $10.28.

St. Matthias', Louisburg.—Mrs. Nina King, director.

Saint James', Pittsboro.—Mr. Paul Womack, director; active members, 15; pledge money sent to Treasurer, $1.30.

Summary.—active members, 87; grand total in money, $24.66; grand total in articles, 43.

I am sorry to state that at Norse, where there was a Junior Branch, with the late Mr. Fuller, director, on account of the providence of Almighty God in taking him unto Himself we have been deprived of hearing anything from the people there.

At Winston and Statesville, we have as yet been unable to organize Junior Branches.

In conclusion, I would beg the opportunity of thanking the directors who have struggled so hard and have helped so largely in this work; for them and the Divine Hand naught could have been done.

As for St. Michael's Junior Branch, the director wishes here to express sincere thanks and appreciation to Mrs. M. Walker for her assistance so freely given in time and money.

She is a godly woman, of a noble Christian spirit, and I wish this Convocation to know that we are greatly indebted to her for her many noble deeds. Respectfully submitted,

CONNIE S. YOUNG,
Secretary of Junior Auxiliary Work.

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR BRANCH.

I beg to report the following branches:

St. Luke's, Ridgeway, N. C.—Secretary, Mrs. Anna Harris; number of meetings, 4; active members, 4. There was no work done for the Junior exhibition to be held at the Convocation.

St. Ambrose, Raleigh.—Secretary, Miss Daisy Birdsall; one Sunday in each month the Sunday-school hour was turned over to the Juniors, and very interesting programs were had.

The Secretary finds it a hard matter to arouse proper interest among the Juniors. Most of their time is devoted to the Guilds, and not all seem to realize that they are members of the Junior Branch. We want to beg the members of every branch to begin anew this year and not to put this work at the bottom of the list, for such a good and noble work demands a better show.

Amount of money for the year, $6.10.

St. Luke's, Tarboro.—Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Perry; number of active members, 15; number of meetings held during the year, 21; contributions, $2.73. This branch sends a very encouraging report. The articles sent to the Convocation were very good indeed, consisting of baskets, bags, aprons and other articles—all made by the Juniors. This is the most active branch under my charge, and I feel very happy and encouraged whenever I receive the report from them.

St. Augustine's Neighborhood Branch.—Secretary, Mrs. A. B. Johnson; meetings held during the year, 21; active members, 40; articles made during the year: scrap book, magazine pictures mounted, paper families cut.

Mrs. A. B. JOHNSON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF ST. MICHAEL'S JUNIORS.

Madam President, Officers and Members of the Convocation:

It gives me pleasure to be with you and to welcome you on behalf of St. Michael's and All Angels' Junior Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, and to tell you something of our work.

After the summer vacation, and our directors had returned, we began our work for the year, deciding to meet once a week instead of once a month as we had been doing. At our first meeting, in October, 1909, Miss Young, our director, told us of the Convocation which she had attended in St. Mark's Church, Wilson. She told us of the good work done by the other Juniors throughout the Diocese, mentioning especially the sewing done by the Juniors at Louisburg, amounting to $15. She brought us a message from you, Madam President, saying you wished the Juniors of the Diocese to do more and better work than the year before, adding that she would be happy if we, St. Michael's Juniors, could be ahead of any other in the Diocese. Our rector was present, and gave us a very good talk, telling us we should be proud of our teacher, and if we would keep up with our work God would bless us. We do feel that God has blessed us, in that we have been able to do a little work for Him.

During the school term we had an enrollment of thirty-six members, nineteen of whom are church children, and seventeen honorary members; we had in regular attendance between eighteen and twenty Juniors. We meet every Wednesday at 4 o'clock, opening with one or more of our beautiful children's hymns. Somehow we always liked to sing 577: "In the Vineyard of Our Father." Also 571, "Great Shepherd of the Sheep."

Our Junior collects said, the roll is called and responded to by Bible verses from each member. Minutes are read and adopted, then we are ready for work.

After working so hard during the year we are sorry not to

have more to show for the efforts put forth by our members, under the wise guidance of our director and dear friend, Mrs. Morris Walker, who has so kindly and freely given her time, money and energy in helping us and for which we extend her our thanks.

We must admit, however, that the older and larger members of our Junior Auxiliary have not worked as much nor as constantly as they might have done, but this lack of work has come about mostly because the greater number of our members were small children and spent much time in learning or in having to be taught.

Aside from our weekly meetings we had a Sunday-school program a great part of the year every first Sunday; this seemed to have been highly enjoyed and much benefit derived by those who gave us their attention.

During the year we have not sent our usual Christmas or Easter boxes away, but we sent $1 to the mission at Winston, N. C., and have given $1 to each of the other pledges, making $9 for the pledges; $1.28 was given to as United Offering, making a total of $10.28.

Respectfully submitted,

CARRIE HENDERSON,

Secretary of St. Michael's Junior Branch.

BABIES' BRANCH OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, TARBORO, N. C.

We meet on the first Monday in each month. The meetings are opened with a hymn and the Lord's Prayer, which most of the little ones know, and the baby's prayer, which is printed on the mite boxes. The roll is then called and the monthly collection taken. I then read selections from the Scriptures. Special pains are taken in selecting passages which can be understood by the baby mind. I try very hard, too, to read in a way they can understand. After the Scripture reading, I have the little ones to tell me as much as they

can remember of what they have just heard. I then read or tell to them a story, asking them to repeat it to me when they come again. I let them say little recitations or repeat a story that has been read or told them at a previous meeting. Some times I serve them cake, candy or fruit. They enjoy this last, of course, very, very much.

Each baby is told to bring a penny, or more if they can, whenever they come to the meetings; so most every child brings something. They have their little mite boxes which they keep at home, and into which they are told to put a penny, or as much as they can, each Sunday, or oftener if possible. Of course, I try to take special care in explaining everything to the mothers.

When it is time for the boxes to be opened, and that, as we know, is quarterly, the babies are instructed beforehand to bring them to the meeting. The pennies brought to the monthly meetings during the quarter make a collection which is added to the amount taken from the boxes for a total quarterly collection. During the past year we received during the first quarter 84 cents, for the second 82 cents, for the third $1, and for the fourth $1.02. The total amount contributed by the branch during the year for the good cause was $3.68.

Judging from the above figures, our branch at Tarboro has done better work during the past year than the year previous. We enrolled ten members and contributed $1.36. For the year just ended we enrolled thirteen members and contributed the amount stated above.

I always try to make every meeting of the branch just as interesting to the babies as I can, because I feel that to impart instruction to children and to get their pennies, we must get their attention, and to get their attention we must make our communications interesting. In our dealings with grown folks, we have to do the same. Children are just like grown folks, probably more so now than ever. Some times the younger they are the more like grown folks they act so

far as having their way is concerned. But the great pleasure in dealing with children is that there are so many more ways of interesting them than grown folks, and for that reason I think I like better to deal with the babies. But to get the best results from the Babies' Branch we must win the love of them. We cannot hope to win their love unless we love the cause, love the work and love the babies. The foundation of our Christian faith is love, so that makes it all the more necessary that the ruling force of the work of the Babies' Branch be love. So the success of the work depends upon the ability of those who have the branches in charge to make the meetings interesting and to win the love of the babies.

We cannot lay down any set of regulations for doing this, for it all depends upon location, circumstances and personality. But we can all pray earnestly and constantly for God's blessing upon the work, and for His help and guidance in each of our endeavors.

St. Matthias' Babies' Branch, Louisburg, has done well this year, and have contributed $5 for the good cause.

St. Mark's Babies' Branch, Wilson, N. C., contributed 25 cents.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary G. Perry,

Secretary.

	Apportionment.	C. R. F.	Bishop's Disposal.	Rev. Male's Salary.	Mr. Fuller's Salary.	Bishop Ferguson.	United Offering.	St. Agnes' Hospital.	Good Samaritan Hospital.	Archdeaconry.	C. F.	Winston Missions.	Teacher's Salary, Satterwhite.	Holy Trinity Orphanage, Japan.	Dr. May Y. Gunter, China.	Work at Durham.	Total.
Raleigh—																	
St. Augustine's Woman's Auxiliary	$10.00	$12.00	$5.00	$10.00	$10.00	.....	$22.97	$10.00	$ 2.50	.....	.....	.....	$11.30	$5.00	.....	.....	$ 98.79
St. Augustine's Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.37
St. Augustine's Parish Sunday-school	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	4.00	4.00	.....	18.00
St. Augustine's Neighborhood Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.50	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50
St. Ambrose Woman's Auxiliary	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	.....	4.00	2.86	4.00	4.00	4.00	1.35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35.21
St. Ambrose Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.10	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	2.00	6.10
Charlotte—																	
St. Michael's Woman's Auxiliary	.....	2.00	2.00	2.25	.....	2.00	2.15	3.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.40
St. Michael's Junior Auxiliary	.....	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00	1.28	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.28
Tarboro—																	
St. Luke's Woman's Auxiliary	1.75	2.00	2.00	4.00	.....	2.00	.90	4.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	25.65
St. Luke's Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.30	.....	.....	.43	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.73
St. Luke's B. B.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.62
Warrenton—																	
All Saints' Woman's Auxiliary	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.65	.....	.....	1.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.65
All Saints' Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.67	.66	.....	2.85	1.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.58
All Saints' B. B.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.41
Louisburg—																	
St. Matthew's Woman's Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.25
St. Matthew's Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.60
St. Matthew's B. B.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
Wilson—																	
St. Mark's Woman's Auxiliary	.....	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	1.42	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.42
St. Mark's Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	1.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
St. Mark's B. B.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.25
Pittsboro—																	
St. James' Woman's Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.25	1.00	.....	1.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.25
St. James' Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.30
St. James' B. B.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.80
Greensboro—																	
Church of the Redeemer, Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50
Durham—																	
St. Titus' Woman's Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
Littleton—																	
St. Anna	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warren Cr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Luke	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total																	$282.64

Total amount to be sent to the United Offering $148.59, with an addition, perhaps, from St. Augustine's Woman's Auxiliary.